

A. Tugbang

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kazuki SATO et al.

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MAGNETORESISTIVE ELEMENT SUBSTRUCTURE, MAGNETORESISTIVE

ELEMENT AND MICRO DEVICE, AND METHODS OF MANUFACTURING SAME

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Sir:

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Further to the October 23, telephone interview with Examiner Tugbang, and in reply to the May 28, 2003 Office Action, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.